

spät des Abends, wenn die anderen, nicht nächtlichen schon zur Ruhe gegangen sind, brummt eine einsame Hummel von Blume zu Blume, es kommt ihr auch nicht darauf an, im Schosse einer grösseren zu übernachten, einen Sturm und Regenschauer darin abzuwarten; ja Wahlberg sah sie im hohen Norden, in der Finnmark und in Lappland in hellen Sommernächten arbeiten, und das Beiwort „träge“, welches ihnen die Dichterin zuertheilt, kann sich daher nur auf die schwerfälligeren, plumperen Bewegungen der Hummeln im Vergleiche zu den beweglicheren Bienen beziehen. — Hier dürften indess wohl nur die hellen Mittsommernächte des hohen Nordens, nicht aber Mondschein-Nächte gemeint sein.

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